

## CERTIFICATION OF FINANCE FORM

TO BE COMPLETED BY **INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS**

Before completing this form, please carefully read the information and instructions on the reverse side. In completing this section, refer to the estimated expense information given on the reverse side. Give amount in U.S. dollars. **A Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or Form IAP-66) will not be issued until this form is completed and documentation provided.**

SOURCES OF FUNDS	ASSURED SUPPORT	PROJECTED SUPPORT (INCLUDE 15-17% COST INCREASE PER YEAR)	PROJECTED SUPPORT (INCLUDE 15-17% COST INCREASE PER YEAR)	PROJECTED SUPPORT (INCLUDE 15-17% COST INCREASE PER YEAR)
	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
<b>1. SELF SUPPORT</b> A bank official must attach a statement on the bank's stationery verifying the total available for your expenses				
<b>2. PARENTS OR INDIVIDUAL SPONSORS</b> Your guarantor/sponsor must also sign the certification portion found below. Your sponsor must have an official of his/her bank attach a <b>current bank balance</b> statement verifying the guarantor/sponsor's ability to provide you with the funds indicated.				
<b>3. YOUR GOVERNMENT OR OTHER SPONSORING AGENCY</b> Enclose with this form a signed copy of your Letter of Award.				
<b>4. OTHER</b> (Specify) _____ Enclose with this form a signed affidavit from an authorized person to certify the accuracy of this entry.				
Each of these totals should at least equal the institution's estimate of expenses for one year.				
<b>Total</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>I certify that the information provided here is correct and complete.</b> <b>(Signature of Applicant or Student):</b>				
<b>Name: (Please Print)</b>	<b>Last:</b>	<b>First:</b>	<b>Middle:</b>	
<b>Foreign Address (Permanent address):</b>				
<b>Date of Birth:</b>	<b>Place of Birth:</b>		<b>Country of Citizenship:</b>	
<b>GUARANTOR/SPONSOR MUST SIGN THIS FORM:</b> This is to certify that I have read the information furnished by the application on this form and that it is true and accurate statement, and that the funds are available and will provided as required. If living in U.S., the sponsor must submit and affidavit of support (I-134) form.				
<b>(Signature of the Guarantor/Sponsor):</b>				
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Address:</b>		<b>Relationship of Guarantor/Sponsor to Student:</b>	

If you wish to be accompanied by the family during your studies, you must provide evidence of additional funding before we can authorize any family member to accompany you. If your spouse and/or children intend to accompany you, or expect to join you at some future date, you must show evidence of at least an additional \$5000 of financial resources per year for each dependent. On a separate sheet of paper include the name(s), date(s) of birth, place(s) of birth, and relationship(s) of those who will accompany.

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF FINANCES FORM**

### **FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLY**

International applicants to the University of Maryland Eastern Shore must certify that they have sufficient funds (exclusive of travel expenses) to cover university fees, books, supplies, tuition, and living expenses for themselves and their dependents (if applicable). The reverse side is a "Certification of Finances" form, which must be completed and submitted with your application for admission to the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Please fill in the appropriate spaces and include the required documentation. To assist you in completing this form, a brief description regarding possible sources of support follows. **If we do not receive this form, or if it is not filled in or signed, your application will not be complete and cannot be considered.**

**1. PERSONAL SAVINGS:** If you have personal savings and intend to use this money for all or part of your financial support, indicate the name of your financial institution in the spaces provided. An official of your financial institution must attach a **current financial balance statement\*** verifying the amount you have indicated. If you are self-supported, you must have enough savings in the bank to cover your expenses for the first year and give reasonable evidence that there will be sufficient financing to cover the remainder of your academic program.

**2. PARENTS AND/OR SPONSORS:** If your parents or others are willing to sponsor all or part of your studies, they should indicate the amount of funds they will make available to you. Your sponsors must have an official of their financial institution attach a **current balance statement\*** verifying their ability to provide you with the funds they have indicated for the first year and reasonable evidence that the rest of your expenses will be covered during subsequent years.

**3. YOUR GOVERNMENT OR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION:** Should you be sponsored by your government or an international organization or foundation, indicate the name of the agency and include a letter, signed by an authorized representative, detailing the terms of your award. The letter of award should provide the following information:

- a. Will the sponsoring agency pay expenses for tuition and fees? If so, should the agency be billed directly?
- b. Will the agency provide you with living expenses? If so, how much?
- c. For how long is sponsorship valid—one year, two years, or renewable until the degree is awarded?
- d. Will the sponsor(s) be willing to provide you with extra support should your spouse or children accompany you? If so, how much?

**4. OTHER:** You may have another source of support not included above. For example, some students seeking admission to the University of Maryland Eastern Shore intend to stay with family and friends who live close to the University, and thus may contribute to their support. If you have other such sources of support, be certain to enclose the required affidavit verifying this. If you intend to live with friends or family near the university, the value of this support is equivalent to the "estimated student expenses" figure for room and board (see below). Be certain to secure the appropriate signature of parents and sponsors on the affidavit.

You must enter the amount of your support in the appropriate spaces on the reverse side for each expected year of your studies. A Master's Degree normally requires two years and a Doctorate five to nine years, depending on full-time efforts.

\*For application purposes, financial institutions' balance statements are valid for six months. Deferred admissions requests will require updated bank statements.

**NOTE:** Requests for sole or partial dependence on institutional support from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore cannot be considered in the graduate admissions process. At the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, admission to a graduate program is a prerequisite for consideration of any assistantships, traineeships, or other eligible financial assistance being awarded.

**THIS FORM AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENT(S) MUST BE RETURNED TO THE GRADUATE SCHOOL WITH THE APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE ADMISSION BEFORE AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICANT CAN BE CONSIDERED FOR ADMISSION AND A CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR A STUDENT VISA ISSUED, SHOULD THE APPLICANT BE ADMITTED.**

#### **ESTIMATED STUDENT EXPENSES FOR ONE YEAR:**

Tuition/Mandatory Fees (two semesters at 9 credits per semester) \$ 13,138  
Living Expenses for 12 months, including room, board, transportation, and incidental costs \$ 14,000.00  
Books and Supplies (will vary by program) \$ 2,500.00  
Estimated Total: \$ 29,638

Note: The University does not require medical insurance. There are medical insurance packages available in the U.S. for international students (consult the international student advisor for details and prices).

Additionally, students who wish to study during the Winter and any Summer sessions should be aware that tuition/fees may range between \$2,193.00 and \$5,544.00 depending on the session.

**TUITION AND FEE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE**